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For: VENTILATOR MASK AND SYSTEM

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Sir:

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement (Election of Species) dated June 12, 2009, Applicant hereby elects Species I: The embodiment as shown in Figs. 1-9B, without traverse.

It is noted that the Examiner has indicated that no claims is considered to be generic.

Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-13 read on elected Species I. Thus, claims 1-13 should be searched and examined.

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A prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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